

# House File 2148 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 518)

## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a teacher's filing of a written resignation  
2 with the board of directors of a school district.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 279.13, subsection 2, Code 2022, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. a. The contract shall remain in force and effect for  
4 the period stated in the contract and shall be automatically  
5 continued for equivalent periods except as modified or  
6 terminated by mutual agreement of the board of directors and  
7 the teacher or as modified or terminated in accordance with  
8 the provisions specified in this chapter. A contract shall  
9 not be offered by the employing board to a teacher under its  
10 jurisdiction prior to March 15 of any year.

11 b. A teacher who has not accepted a contract for the  
12 ensuing school year tendered by the employing board may resign  
13 effective at the end of the current school year by filing a  
14 written resignation with the secretary of the board. ~~The~~  
15 ~~resignation must be filed not later than the last day of the~~  
16 ~~current school year or the date specified by the employing~~  
17 ~~board for return of the contract, whichever date occurs first.~~  
18 However, The teacher shall file the written resignation on or  
19 before the later of the following, provided that a teacher  
20 shall not be required to return a contract to the board or to  
21 resign less than twenty-one days after the contract has been  
22 offered:

23 (1) The date specified by the employing board.

24 (2) June 30 of the current school year.

25 EXPLANATION

26 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
27 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

28 This bill relates to a teacher's filing of a written  
29 resignation with the board of directors of a school district.

30 Under current law, a teacher who has not accepted a contract  
31 for the ensuing school year may resign effective at the end of  
32 the current school year by filing a written resignation with  
33 the secretary of the employing board not later than the last  
34 day of the current school year or the date specified by the  
35 employing board, whichever date occurs first. Current law

1 also provides that a teacher shall not be required to return a  
2 contract to the employing board or to resign less than 21 days  
3 after the contract has been offered.

4     The bill requires that the teacher file the written  
5 resignation on or before the date specified by the employing  
6 board or June 30 of the current school year, provided that  
7 a teacher shall not be required to return a contract to the  
8 employing board or to resign less than 21 days after the  
9 contract has been offered.